AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

MARATHON GOVERNMENT CENTER MONROE COUNTY, FL WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2009 9:30 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at approximately 9:40 a.m.

COMMISSION:

Sherry Phillips	Present
Mary Rice	Absent
Bruce Ferraro	Present
Bill Daniels, Jr.	Absent
Cecil Bain	Present
Ken Naylor	Present
Ed Swift	Present
Morgan Hill	Absent
Ron Miller	Present
Jerry Gaddis	Present
Randy Wall	Present
Sylvia Murphy, BOCC Liaison Member	Present

STAFF:

Andrew Trivette, Division Director, Growth Management
Susan Grimsley, Assistant County Attorney
Present
Mitch Harvey, Comprehensive Planning Manager
Present
Michelle Lee, Recording Secretary
Present

- 1. Sylvia Murphy introduced the new committee members.
- Andrew Trivette spoke to the committee regarding his role in providing staff and other resources to the committee. He encouraged the committee to take advantage of the Growth Management staff. GMD is here to help.
- 3. Susan Grimsley spoke to the committee regarding her responsibility for drafting ordinances and legislation. She indicated she has been responsible for statutory LHAP changes; her job is to keep up with current law and to keep up with items that the committee desires. Susan outlined the Sunshine State Laws with the committee (i.e., no two committee members can talk or send e-mails regarding an upcoming AHAC item prior to a meeting).
- 4. Susan Grimsley asked that we elect a Chairperson. Ron Miller suggested that we wait until the next meeting so that everyone may become familiar with other committee members. The committee members agreed to wait until the next meeting. Sylvia Murphy agreed to act as the Chairperson for this meeting only. Ed Swift was concerned that without a leader and Chairman until the next meeting, the committee may flounder. Sylvia Murphy indicated that only the BOCC and/or Andrew Trivette can schedule a meeting.

- Sylvia Murphy indicated that the County's main priority right now is wastewater, and any available money will be used for wastewater only. The purpose of today's meeting is to meet State Statute (SHIP funding requirements).
- 6. Ed Swift wanted to know what the committee's mission is. Are we meeting only for the State Statute or does the County really want a task force?
- Andrew Trivette suggested the committee look to changes to the code to offer incentives to build
 affordable housing. He would like to see innovative code changes, and indicated that Growth
 Management will do all that they can to help.
- Motion was made by Ron Miller to elect a Chairman within one month and Ed Swift seconded.
 Motion was unanimously carried. (This will not be possible since meeting is July 16, 2008 see item #12 below)
- 9. Motion was made by Ed Swift to invite the previous AHAC members to the next meeting for the purpose of reviewing the accomplishments and failures of the previous task force Bruce Ferraro seconded, motioned passed. Susan Grimsley will provide a comprehensive report on the activities of the past committee.
- 10. Motion was made by Ed Swift that a master pro forma report be provided by Andrew Trivette at the next meeting, so that new ideas could be discussed (Ken Naylor, Rick Casey and Ed Swift offered to provide data to Andrew for the report) Bruce Ferraro seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- 11. Motion was made by Ed Swift to have a discussion at the next meeting on State funding which had previously been made available to the Monroe County, but not utilized (Ken Naylor offered to provide the documentation) Cecil Bain seconded the motion. Motioned passed.
- 12. The next meeting date for the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee will be held on Thursday, July 16th at 9:30 a.m. As discussed by the committee. Growth Management Director, Andrew O. Trivette, concurred.
- 13. Susan Grimsley discussed the past history of the LHAP, and its changes. She reviewed the changes that are going to the BOCC on May 20, 2009 (Exhibit A of today's agenda). She also discussed the upcoming ordinance that addresses affordable housing permitting priority and the mandatory review of regulations affecting affordable housing costs. Ed Swift made a motion to take this ordinance to the BOCC on June 17, 2009 Ken Naylor seconded. Motioned passed.
- 14. Rickey Casey gave a history of the statutory responsibilities required to receive SHIP money.

Public Comments

Member of the public and former AHAC member Donna Windle discussed that our designation of Area of Critical County Concern requires our County to create affordable housing. Donna also discussed our need to create an Accessory Dwelling Unit program.

Member of the public Kay Thacker asked if Growth Management could identify the number of deed restricted units in the County, and Andrew Trivette said that number could be identified.

Member of the public and former AHAC member Bill Lowey spoke to the direction and objective of this committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.